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SENATOR CUDABACK PRESIDING

SENATOR CUDABACK: Good morning. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. Our acting chaplain this morning is Senator Elaine Stuhr. Senator.

SENATOR STUHR: (Prayer offered.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Stuhr for doing that for us. Appreciate it. I call the thirty-eighth day of the Ninety-Seventh Legislature, Second Session to order. Senators, please check in. Record, please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Any corrections for the Journal?

CLERK: No corrections, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Any messages, reports or announcements?

CLERK: Just one item, the announcement that the Revenue and Appropriations Committees will meet today at 12:30 in Room 1524. That's a joint meeting of the Revenue and Appropriations at 12:30 in Room 1524. That's all that I have, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Legislative confirmation report. Is there anybody in the Chamber that's authorized to take the Revenue Committee confirmation report? Senatur Wickersham is not here. Senator Janssen, are you authorized to handle the confirmation report?

SENATOR JANSSEN: Well, I'm not...Senator Cudaback, I'm not authorized but I'd be glad to do it...

SENATOR CUDABACK: You may go ahead.

SENATOR JANSSEN: ...if you can tell me what page in the Journal it's on.

CLERK: Senator, it's the appointment of Susan Lore to the Tax